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Pennisetum clandestinum Hochstetter ex Chiovenda (kikuyugrass)

Trinius (African Pennisetum macrourum feathergrass)

Pennisetum pedicellatum Trinius (kyasumagrass)

Pennisetum polystachion (Linnaeus) Schultes (missiongrass, thin napiergrass)

Prosopis alpataco R. A. Philippi

*Prosopis argentina* Burkart

Prosopis articulata S. Watson

*Prosopis burkartii* Munoz *Prosopis caldenia* Burkart

*Prosopis calingastana* Burkart

*Prosopis campestris* Griseback

*Prosopis castellanosii* Burkart

Prosopis denudans Bentham Prosopis elata (Burkart) Burkart

Prosopis farcta Russell) (Solander ex

Macbride

Prosopis ferox Grisebach

*Prosopis fiebrigii* Harms

Prosopis hassleri Harms

Prosopis humilis Gillies ex Hooker & Arnott

Prosopis kuntzei Harms

Prosopis pallida (Humboldt & Bonpland ex Willdenow) Humboldt, Bonpland, & Kunth Prosopis palmeri S. Watson

Prosopis reptans Bentham var. reptans

Prosopis rojasiana Burkart

*Prosopis ruizlealii* Burkart

Prosopis ruscifolia Grisebach

Prosopis sericantha Gillies ex Hooker &

Prosopis strombulifera (Lamarck) Bentham Prosopis torquata (Cavanilles ex Lagasca y Segura) de Candolle

Rottboellia cochinchinensis (Lour.) W. Clayton Rubus fruticosus Linnaeus (complex) (wild blackberry)

Rubus moluccanus Linnaeus (wild raspberry) Saccharum spontaneum Linnaeus (wild sugarcane)

Salsola vermiculata Linnaeus salsola)

Setaria pallide-fusca (Schumacher) Stapf & Hubbard (cattail grass)

Solanum torvum Swartz (turkeyberry) Solanum viarum Dunal (tropical soda apple)

Spermacoce alata (Aublet) de Candolle *Tridax procumbens* Linnaeus (coat buttons) Urochloa panicoides Beauvois (liverseed grass)

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#### §360.300 General prohibitions and restrictions on the movement of noxious weeds; permits.

(a) No person may move a Federal noxious weed into or through the United States, or interstate, unless:

- (1) He or she obtains a permit for such movement in accordance with paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section; and
- (2) The movement is consistent with the specific conditions contained in the permit.
- (b) The Deputy Administrator will issue a written permit for the movement of a noxious weed into or through the United States, or interstate, if application is made for such movement and if the Deputy Administrator determines that such movement, under conditions specified in the permit, would not involve a danger of dissemination of the noxious weed in the United States, or interstate; otherwise such a permit will not be issued.
- (c) All such permits issued shall contain in written form in the permit any conditions (other than those conditions specified in this part) under which the permit is to be granted, e.g. conditions with respect to shipment, storage, and destruction.
- (d) If the permit is denied, the applicant shall be furnished the reasons therefor.
- (e) The Deputy Administrator may revoke any outstanding permit issued under this section, and may deny future permit applications, if the Deputy Administrator determines that the issuee has failed to comply with any provision of the Act or this section, including conditions of any permit issued. Upon request, any permit holder will be afforded an opportunity for a hearing with respect to the merits or validity of any such revocation involving his or her permit.

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#### PART 361—IMPORTATION OF SEED AND SCREENINGS UNDER THE **FEDERAL SEED ACT**

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#### § 361.1 Definitions.

Terms used in the singular form in this part shall be construed as the plural, and vice versa, as the case may demand. The following terms, when used in this part, shall be construed, respectively, to mean:

Administrator. The Administrator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or any other individual to whom the Administrator delegates authority to act in his or her stead.

Agricultural seed. The following kinds and varieties of grass, forage, and field crop seed that are used for seeding purposes in the United States:

Agrotricum—x Agrotriticum Ciferri and Giacom.

Alfalfa—*Medicago sativa* L.

Alfilaria—Erodium cicutarium (L.) L'Her. Alyceclover—Alysicarpus vaginalis (L.) DC.

Bahiagrass-Paspalum notatum Fluegge Barley—Hordeum vulgare L.

Barrelclover—Medicago truncatula Gaertn. Bean, adzuki-Vigna angularis (Willd.) Ohwi and Ohashi

Bean, field-Phaseolus vulgaris L.

Bean, mung—*Vigna radiata* (L.) Wilczek Beet, field—*Beta vulgaris* L. subsp. *vulgaris* 

Beet, sugar—Beta vulgaris L. subsp. vulgaris Beggarweed, Florida—Desmodium tortuosum (Sw.) DC.

Bentgrass, colonial—Agrostis capillaris L. Bentgrass, creeping—Agrostis stolonifera L. var. palustris (Huds.) Farw.

Bentgrass, velvet—*Agrostis canina* L.

Bermudagrass-Cynodon dactylon (L.) Pers. var. dactylon

Bermudagrass, giant—Cynodon dactylon (L.) Pers. var. aridus Harlan and de Wet

Bluegrass, annual—*Poa annua* L.

Bluegrass, bulbous—*Poa bulbosa* L. Bluegrass, Canada—*Poa compressa* L.

Bluegrass, glaucantha—Poa glauca Vahl

Bluegrass, Kentucky—*Poa pratensis* L. Bluegrass, Nevada—*Poa secunda* J.S. Presl

Bluegrass, rough—*Poa trivialis* L.
Bluegrass, Texas—*Poa arachnifera* Torr.

Bluegrass, wood—Poa nemoralis L.

Bluejoint—Calamagrostis canadensis (Michx.) P. Beauv.

Bluestem, big-Andropogon gerardii Vitm. var. gerardii

Bluestem, little—Schizachyrium scoparium (Michx.) Nash

Bluestem, sand—Andropogon hallii Hack.

Bluestem, yellow—Bothriochloa ischaemum (L.) Keng

Bottlebrush-squirreltail—*Elymus* elvmoides (Raf.) Swezey Brome, field—*Bromus arvensis* L.

Brome, meadow—Bromus biebersteinii Roem. and Schult.

Brome, mountain—Bromus marginatus Steud. Brome, smooth—Bromus inermis Leyss

Broomcorn-Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench Buckwheat—Fagopyrum esculentum Moench

Buffalograss—Buchloe dactvloides (Nutt.) Engelm.

Buffelgrass—Cenchrus ciliaris L.

Burclover, California—Medicago polymorpha L.,

Burclover, spotted-Medicago arabica (L.) Huds.

Burnet, little—Sanguisorba minor Scop. Buttonclover—*Medicago* orbicularis (L.) Bartal.

Canarygrass—Phalaris canariensis L.

Canarygrass, reed—Phalaris arundinacea L. Carpetgrass—Axonopus fissifolius Kuhlm.

Castorbean-Ricinus communis L.

Chess, soft—Bromus hordeaceus L.

Chickpea—Cicer arietinum L.

Clover, alsike—Trifolium hybridum L.

Clover, arrowleaf—Trifolium vesiculosum Savi Clover, berseem—*Trifolium alexandrinum* L.

Clover, cluster—Trifolium glomeratum L.

Clover, crimson—Trifolium incarnatum L

Clover, Kenya—*Trifolium semipilosum* Fresen. Clover, ladino—*Trifolium repens* L.

Clover, lappa—Trifolium lappaceum L.

hop—*Trifolium* campestre Clover large Schreb.

Clover, Persian—Trifolium resupinatum L.

Clover, red or

Red clover, mammoth— $Trifolium\ pratense$ 

Red clover, medium-Trifolium pratense L.

Clover, rose—Trifolium hirtum All.

Clover, small hop or suckling—*Trifolium* dubium Sibth.

Clover, strawberry—Trifolium fragiferum L.

Clover, sub or subterranean—*Trifolium* subterraneum L.

Clover, white—Trifolium repens L. (also see Clover, ladino)

Clover—(also see Alyceclover, Burclover, Buttonclover, Sourclover,

Sweetclover)

Corn, field—Zea mays L.

Corn, pop—Zea mays L.

Cotton—Gossypium spp.

Cowpea—Vigna unguiculata (L.) Walp. subsp. unguiculata

Crambe—Crambe abyssinica R.E. Fries

Crested dogtail—Cynosurus cristatus L. Crotalaria, lance-Crotalaria lanceolata E. Crotalaria, showy—Crotalaria spectabilis Roth Crotalaria, slenderleaf—Crotalaria brevidens Benth. var. intermedia (Kotschy) Polh. Crotalaria, striped or smooth—*Crotalaria* pallida Ait. Crotalaria, sunn—Crotalaria juncea L. Crownvetch-Coronilla varia L. Dallisgrass—Paspalum dilatatum Poir. Dichondra—Dichondra repens Forst. and Forst, f. Dropseed, sand-Sporobolus crvptandrus (Torr.) A. Gray Emmer—Triticum dicoccon Schrank Fescue, chewings—Festuca rubra L. subsp. commutata Gaud. Fescue, hair—Festuca tenuifolia Sibth. Fescue, hard—Festuca brevipila Tracey Fescue, meadow—Festuca pratensis Huds. Fescue, red-Festuca rubra L. subsp. rubra Fescue, sheep-Festuca ovina L. var. ovina Fescue, tall—Festuca arundinacea Schreb. Flax—Linum usitatissimum L Galletagrass—Hilaria jamesii (Torr.) Benth. Grama, Steud. blue-Bouteloua gracilis (Kunth) Grama. side-oats-Bouteloua curtipendula (Michx.) Torr Guar-Cyamopsis tetragonoloba (L.) Taub. Guineagrass—Panicum maximum Jacq. var. maximum Hardinggrass—Phalaris stenoptera Hack.  $\operatorname{Hemp} = \overline{\operatorname{Cannabis}} \operatorname{sativa} \operatorname{L}.$ Indiangrass, yellow-Sorghastrum nutans (L.) Nash Indigo, hairy—Indigofera hirsuta L. Japanese lawngrass—*Zoysia japonica* Steud. Johnsongrass—*Sorghum halepense* (L.) Pers. Kenaf-Hibiscus cannabinus L. Kochia, forage-Kochia prostrata (L.) Schrad. Kudzu—*Pueraria montana* (Lour.) Merr. var. *lobata* (Willd.) Maesen and S. Almeida Lentil—*Lens culinaris* Medik. Lespedeza, Korean-Kummerowia stipulacea (Maxim.) Makino Lespedeza, sericea or Chinese—*Lespedeza* cuneata (Dum.-Cours.) G. Don Lespedeza, Siberian-Lespedeza juncea (L. f.) Pers. striate-Kummerowia Lespedeza, striata (Thunb.) Schindler Lovegrass, sand—Eragrostis trichodes (Nutt.) Wood Lovegrass, weeping—Eragrostis curvula (Schrad.) Nees

Lupine, blue-Lupinus angustifolius L.

Lupine, white—*Lupinus albus* L. Lupine, yellow—*Lupinus luteus* L. Manilagrass—*Zoysia matrella* (L.) Merr. Meadow foxtail—*Alopecurus pratensis* L.

Medic, black—*Medicago lupulina* L.

cicer L.

Stapf

Milkvetch or cicer milkvetch-Astragalus

Millet, browntop—*Brachiaria ramosa* (L.)

Millet, foxtail-Setaria italica (L.) Beauv. Millet, Japanese—Echinochloa frumentacea Link Millet, pearl—Pennisetum glaucum (L.) R. Br. Millet, proso-Panicum miliaceum L. Molassesgrass—*Melinis minutiflora* Beauv. Mustard, black—*Brassica nigra* (L.) Koch Mustard, India—Brassica juncea (L.) Czernj. and Coss. Mustard, white—Sinapis alba L. Napiergrass—Pennisetum purpureum Schumach Needlegrass, green—*Stipa viridula* Trin. Oat—Avena byzantina C. Koch, A. sativa L., A. nuda L. Oatgrass, tall-Arrhenatherum elatius (L.) J.S. Presl and K.B. Presl Orchardgrass—Dactylis glomerata L. Panicgrass, blue—Panicum antidotale Retz. Panicgrass, green—Panicum maximum Jacq. var. *trichoglume* Robyns Pea, field—*Pisum sativum* L. Peanut—Arachis hypogaea L. Poa trivialis—(see Bluegrass, rough) Rape, annual-Brassica napus L. var. annua Koch Rape, bird—Brassica rapa L. subsp. rapa turnip—*Brassica rapa* L. Rape. silvestris (Lam.) Janchen Rane winter—Brassica napus I. var hiennis (Schubl. and Mart.) Reichb. Redtop-Agrostis gigantea Roth Rescuegrass—Bromus catharticus Vahl Rhodesgrass—Chloris gayana Kunth Rice—Öryza sativa L. Ricegrass, Indian—*Oryzops* (Roem. and Schult.) Ricker Indian—Oryzopsis hymenoides Roughpea—Lathyrus hirsutus L. Rye—Secale cereale L.
Rye, mountain—Secale strictum (K.B. Presl) K.B. Presl subsp. strictum Italian—Lolium Ryegrass, annual or multiflorum Lam. intermediate—Lolium×hybridum Ryegrass, Hausskn. Ryegrass, perennial—Lolium perenne L. Ryegrass, Wimmera—Lolium rigidum Gaud. Safflower—Carthamus tinctorius L. Sagewort, Louisiana-Artemisia ludoviciana Nutt. Sainfoin—Onobrychis viciifolia Scop. Saltbush, fourwing—Atriplex canescens (Pursh) Nutt. Sesame—Sesamum indicum L. Sesbania—Sesbania exaltata (Raf.) A.W. Hill Smilo-Piptatherum miliaceum (L.) Coss. Sorghum—Sorghum bicolor (L.) Moench Sorghum almum—*Sorghum×almum* L. Parodi Sorghum-sudangrass—Sorghum×drummondii (Steud.) Millsp. and Chase Sorgrass—Rhizomatous derivatives of a johnsongrass×sorghum cross or cross johnsongrass×sudangrass Southernpea—(See Cowpea) Sourclover—*Melilotus indicus* (L.) All. Soybean—*Glycine max* (L.) Merr. Spelt—Triticum spelta L.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection

APHIS inspector. Any employee of the

Service (APHIS). The Animal and Plant

Health Inspection Service of the U.S.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection

Service or any other individual author-

ized by the Administrator to enforce

with any substance that changes the

size, shape, or weight of the original

seed. Seeds coated with ingredients

such as, but not limited to, rhizobia,

grower, shipper, processor, dealer, or

importer giving for any lot of seed the

kind, variety, type, origin, or the use

rieties of seed means the first genera-

tion seed of a cross produced by con-

trolling the pollination and by com-

bining two or more inbred lines; one in-

bred or a single cross with an open-pol-

linated variety; or two selected clones,

seed lines, varieties, or species. "Controlling the pollination" means to use

a method of hybridization that will

produce pure seed that is at least 75 percent hybrid seed. Hybrid designa-

tions shall be treated as variety names.

Import/importation. To bring into the

Hybrid. When applied to kinds or va-

Declaration. A written statement of a

dyes, and pesticides are excluded.

for which the seed is intended.

Coated Seed. Any seed unit covered

Department of Agriculture.

this part.

Sudangrass—Sorghum×drummondii (Steud) Millsp. and Chase Sunflower-Helianthus annuus L. Sweetclover, white-Melilotus albus Medik.  ${\bf Sweetclover, \quad yellow-} {\it Melilotus}$ officinalis Lam. Sweet vernalgrass—Anthoxanthum odoratum Sweetvetch, northern—Hedvsarum boreale Nutt. Switchgrass—Panicum virgatum L. Timothy—Phleum pratense L. Timothy, turf—*Phleum bertolonii* DC. Tobacco-Nicotiana tabacum L. Trefoil, big-Lotus uliginosus Schk. Trefoil, birdsfoot—Lotus corniculatus L Triticosecale Wittm. Triticale-x (Secale×Triticum) Vaseverass—Paspalum urvillei Steud. Veldtgrass—*Ehrharta calycina* J.E. Smith Velvetbean-Mucuna pruriens (L.) DC. var. utilis (Wight) Burck Velvetgrass—*Holcus lanatus* L. Vetch, common—Vicia sativa L. subsp. sativa Vetch, hairy—Vicia villosa Roth subsp. villosa Vetch, Hungarian—Vicia pannonica Crantz Vetch, monantha—*Vicia articulata* Hornem. Vetch, narrowleaf or blackpod—Vicia sativa L. subsp. nigra (L.) Ehrh. Vetch, purple—*Vicia benghalensis* L Vetch, woollypod or winter—*Vicia villosa* Roth subsp. varia (Host) Corb. Wheat, common—Triticum aestivum L. Wheat, club—Triticum compactum Host Wheat, durum—*Triticum durum* Desf. Wheat, Polish—*Triticum polonicum* L. Wheat, poulard—Triticum turgidum L. Wheat Agrotricum—Triticum Agrotriticum beardless—Pseudoroegneria Wheatgrass, spicata (Pursh) A. Love Wheatgrass, crested or fairway crested-Agropyron cristatum (L.) Gaertn.

Wheatgrass, crested or standard crested— Agropyron desertorum (Link) Schult.

Wheatgrass, pubescent—*Elytrigia intermedia* (Host) Nevski subsp. *intermedia* 

(Roth) Candargy subsp. sibiricum (Willd.)

Wheatgrass, streambank—Elymus lanceolatus

Wheatgrass, tall-Elytrigia elongata (Host)

Wildrye, basin—Leymus cinereus (Scribn. and

(Scribn. and J.G. Smith) Gould subsp.

western—*Pascopyrum* 

Siberian—Agropyron

slender—Elymus trachycaulus

Wheatgrass, intermediate—*Elytrigia* 

Wheatgrass,

Wheatgrass,

(Link) Shinn

lanceolatus

Nevski

Wheatgrass,

(Rydb.) A. Love

Merr.) A. Love

Meld

media (Host) Nevski subsp. intermedia

territorial limits of the United States. *Kind.* One or more related species or subspecies that singly or collectively is known by one common name, e.g., soybean, flax, or carrot. *Lot of seed.* A definite quantity of seed identified by a lot number, every portion or bag of which is uniform, within permitted tolerances, for the factors that appear in the labeling. *Mixture.* Seeds consisting of more than one kind or variety, each present in excess of 5 percent of the whole.

Official seed laboratory. An official laboratory member of the Association of Official Seed Analysts.

Pelleted seed. Any seed unit covered with a substance that changes the size, shape, or weight of the original seed in order to improve the plantability or singulation of the seed.

Person. Any individual, partnership, corporation, company, society, association, receiver, trustee, or other legal entity or organized group.

Wildrye, Russian—*Psathyrostachys juncea* (Fisch.) Nevski Zoysia japonica—(see Japanese lawngrass) Zoysia matrella—(see Manilagrass)

Wildrye, Canada—Elymus canadensis L.

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Port of first arrival. The land area (such as a seaport, airport, or land border station) where a person, or a land, water, or air vehicle, first arrives after entering the territorial limits of the United States, and where inspection of articles is carried out by APHIS inspectors.

Registered seed technologist. A registered member of the Society of Com-

mercial Seed Technologists.

Screenings. Chaff, sterile florets, immature seed, weed seed, inert matter, and any other materials removed in any way from any seeds in any kind of cleaning or processing and which contains less than 25 percent of live agricultural or vegetable seeds.

State. Any Štate, the District of Columbia, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands of the United States, and any other territory or possession of the United States.

United States. All of the States

Variety. A subdivision of a kind which is characterized by growth, plant, fruit, seed, or other characteristics by which it can be differentiated from other sorts of the same kind.

Vegetable seed. The seed of the following kinds and varieties that are or may be grown in gardens or on truck farms and are or may be generally known and sold under the name of vegetable seed:

Artichoke-Cynara cardunculus L. subsp. cardunculus

Asparagus—Asparagus officinalis Baker

Asparagusbean or yard-long bean—Vigna unguiculata (L.) Walp. subsp. sesquipedalis (L.) Verdc.

Bean, garden—*Phaseolus vulgaris* L.

Bean, lima—*Phaseolus lunatus* L.

Bean, runner or scarlet runner-Phaseolus coccineus L.

Beet—Beta vulgaris L. subsp. vulgaris

Broadbean—*Vicia faba* L.

Broccoli—Brassica oleracea L. var. botrytis L. Brussels sprouts—Brassica oleracea L. var. gemmifera DC.

Burdock, great-Arctium lappa L.

Cabbage—*Brassica oleracea* L. var. *capitata* L. Cabbage, Chinese—Brassica rapa L. subsp. pekinensis (Lour.) Hanelt

Cabbage, tronchuda—Brassica oleracea L. var. costata DC.

Cantaloupe—(see Melon)

Cardoon-Cynara cardunculus L. subsp. cardunculus

Carrot—Daucus carota L. subsp. sativus (Hoffm.) Arcang.

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Cauliflower-Brassica oleracea L. var. botrvtis
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Celeriac—Apium graveolens L. var. rapaceum (Mill.) Gaud.

Celery—Apium graveolens L. var. dulce (Mill.) Pers.

Chard, Swiss-Beta vulgaris L. subsp. cicla (L.) Koch

Chicory—*Cichorium intybus* L. Chives—*Allium schoenoprasum* L.

Citron—Citrullus lanatus (Thunb.) Matsum. and Nakai var. citroides (Bailey) Mansf.

Collards—Brassica oleracea L. var. acephala DC.

Corn. sweet-Zea mavs L.

Cornsalad—Valerianella locusta (L.) Laterrade Cowpea—Vigna unguiculata (L.) Walp. subsp. unguiculata

Cress, garden-Lepidium sativum L

Cress, upland—Barbarea verna (Mill.) Asch.

Cress, water—Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum (L.) Hayek

Cucumber—*Cucumis sativus* L.
Dandelion—*Taraxacum officinale* Wigg.

Dill—Anethum graveolens L.

Eggplant-Solanum melongena L.

Endive—Cichorium endivia L.

Gherkin, West India—Cucumis anguria L.

Kale—Brassica oleracea L. var. acephala DC. Kale, Chinese-Brassica oleracea L. var.

alboglabra (Bailey) Musil Kale, Siberian—*Brassica napus* L. pabularia (DC.) Reichb.

Kohlrabi—Brassica oleracea L. var. gongylodes

Leek—Allium porrum L.

Lettuce—Lactuca sativa L.

Melon-Cucumis melo L.

Muskmelon—(see Melon).

Mustard, India-Brassica juncea (L.) Czernj. and Coss.

Mustard, spinach—Brassica perviridis (Bailey) Bailey

Okra-Abelmoschus esculentus (L.) Moench

Onion—Allium cepa L.

Onion, Welsh—Allium fistulosum L.

Pak-choi-Brassica rapa L. subsp. chinensis (L.) Hanelt

Parsley—Petroselinum crispum (Mill.) A.W. Hill

Parsnip—Pastinaca sativa L.

Pea—Pisum sativum L.

Pepper—*Capsicum* spp. Pe-tsai—(see Chinese cabbage).

Pumpkin—Cucurbita pepo L., C. moschata (Duchesne) Poiret, and C. maxima Duchesne Radish-Raphanus sativus L.

Rhubarb—*Rheum rhabarbarum* L.

napus Rutabaga—Brassica var. napobrassica (L.) Reichb.

Sage—Salvia officinalis L.

Salsify—Tragopogon porrifolius L.

Savory, summer—Satureja hortensis L.

Sorrel—Rumex acetosa L.

Southernpea—(see Cowpea). Sovbean—Glycine max (L.) Merr.

Spinach-Spinacia oleracea L.

Spinach, New Zealand—*Tetragonia* tetragonioides (Pall.) Ktze.

Squash—*Cucurbita pepo L., C. moschata* (Duchesne) Poiret, and *C. maxima* Duchesne Tomato—*Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill.

Tomato, husk—*Physalis pubescens* L.

Turnip—*Brassica rapa* L. subsp. rapa

Watermelon—*Citrullus lanatus* (Thunb.)

Matsum. and Nakai var. *lanatus* 

## § 361.2 General restrictions on the importation of seed and screenings.

(a) No person shall import any agricultural seed, vegetable seed, or screenings into the United States unless the importation is in compliance with this part.

(b) Any agricultural seed, vegetable seed, or screenings imported into the United States not in compliance with this part shall be subject to exportation, destruction, disposal, or any remedial measures that the Administrator determines are necessary to prevent the dissemination into the United States of noxious weeds.

(c) Except as provided in §361.7(b), coated or pelleted seed may enter the United States only if each lot of seed is accompanied by an officially drawn and sealed sample of seed drawn from the lot before the seed was coated or pelleted. The sample must be drawn in a manner consistent with that described in §361.5 of this part.

(d) Except as provided in §§ 361.4(a) (3) and 361.7(c), screenings of all agricultural seed and vegetable seed are prohibited entry into the United States.

#### § 361.3 Declarations and labeling.

(a) All lots of agricultural seed, vegetable seed, and screenings imported into the United States must be accompanied by a declaration from the importer of the seed or screenings. The declaration must state the kind, variety, and origin of each lot of seed or screenings and the use for which the seed or screenings are being imported.

(b) Each container of agricultural seed and vegetable seed imported into the United States for seeding (planting) purposes must be labeled to indicate the identification code or designation for the lot of seed; the name of each kind or kind and variety of agricultural seed or the name of each kind and variety of vegetable seed present in the lot in excess of 5 percent of the

whole; and the designation "hybrid" when the lot contains hybrid seed. Kind and variety names used on the label shall conform to the kind and variety names used in the definitions of "agricultural seed" and "vegetable seed" in §361.1. If any seed in the lot has been treated, each container must be further labeled, in type no smaller than 8 point, as follows:

(1) The label must indicate that the seed has been treated and provide the name of the substance or process used to treat the seed. Substance names used on the label shall be the commonly accepted coined, chemical (generic), or abbreviated chemical name.

(i) Commonly accepted coined names are commonly recognized as names of particular substances, e.g., thiram, captan, lindane, and dichlone.

(ii) Examples of commonly accepted chemical (generic) names are bluestone, calcium carbonate, cuprous oxide, zinc hydroxide, hexachlorobenzene, and ethyl mercury acetate. The terms "mercury" or "mercurial" may be used in labeling all types of mercurials.

(iii) Examples of commonly accepted abbreviated chemical names are BHC (1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexachlorocyclohexane) and DDT (dichloro diphenyl trichloroethane).

(2) If the seed has been treated with a mercurial or similarly toxic substance harmful to humans vertebrate animals, the label must include a representation of a skull and crossbones and a statement indicating that the seed has been treated with poison. The skull and crossbones must be at least twice the size of the type used for the information provided on the label, and the poison warning statement must be written in red letters on a background of distinctly contrasting color. Mercurials and similarly toxic substances include the following:

Aldrin, technical
Demeton
Dieldrin
p-Dimethylaminobenzenediazo sodium
sulfonate
Endrin
Ethion
Heptachlor
Mercurials, all types
Parathion

Phorate
Toxaphene
O-O-Diethyl-O-(isopropyl-4-methyl-6pyrimidyl) thiophosphate
O,O-Diethyl-S-2-(ethylthio) ethyl
phosphorodithioate

(3) If the seed has been treated with a substance other than one classified as a mercurial or similarly toxic substance under paragraph (b)(2) of this section, and the amount remaining with the seed is harmful to humans or other vertebrate animals, the label must indicate that the seed is not to be used for food, feed, or oil purposes. Any amount of any substance used to treat the seed that remains with the seed will be considered harmful when the seed is in containers of more than 4 ounces, except that the following substances will not be deemed harmful when present at a rate less than the number of parts per million (p/m) indicated:

Allethrin—2 p/m Malathion—8 p/m Methoxyclor—2 p/m Piperonyl butoxide—

Piperonyl butoxide—20 p/m (8 p/m on oat and sorghum)

Pyrethrins—3 p/m (1 p/m on oat and sorghum)

- (c) In the case of seed in bulk, the information required under paragraph (b) of this section shall appear in the invoice or other records accompanying and pertaining to such seed. If the seed is in containers and in quantities of 20,000 pounds or more, regardless of the number of lots included, the information required on each container under paragraph (b) of this section need not be shown on each container if each container has stenciled upon it or bears a label containing a lot designation and the invoice or other records accompanying and pertaining to such seed bear the various statements required for the respective seeds.
- (d) Each container of agricultural seed and vegetable seed imported into the United States for cleaning need not be labeled to show the information required under paragraph (b) of this section if:
  - (1) The seed is in bulk;
- (2) The seed is in containers and in quantities of 20,000 pounds or more, regardless of the number of lots involved, and the invoice or other records accom-

panying and pertaining to the seed show that the seed is for cleaning; or

(3) The seed is in containers and in quantities of less than 20,000 pounds, and each container carries a label that bears the words "Seed for cleaning."

### § 361.4 Inspection at the port of first arrival.

- (a) All agricultural seed, vegetable seed, and screenings imported into the United States shall be made available for examination by an APHIS inspector at the port of first arrival and shall remain at the port of first arrival until released by an APHIS inspector. Lots of agricultural seed, vegetable seed, or screenings may enter the United States without meeting the sampling requirements of paragraph (b) of this section if the lot is:
- (1) Seed that is not being imported for seeding (planting) purposes and the declaration required by §361.3(a) states the purpose for which the seed is being imported;
- (2) Seed that is being shipped in bond through the United States;
- (3) Screenings from seeds of wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat, field corn, sorghum, broomcorn, flax, millet, proso, soybeans, cowpeas, field peas, or field beans that are not being imported for seeding (planting) purposes and the declaration accompanying the screenings as required under §361.2(a) indicates that the screenings are being imported for processing or manufacturing purposes;
- (4) Seed that is being imported for sowing for experimental or breeding purposes, is not for sale, is limited in quantity to the amount indicated in column 3 of table 1 of §361.5, and is accompanied by a declaration stating the purpose for which it is being imported (seed imported for increase purposes only will not be considered as being imported for experimental or breeding purposes); or
- (5) Seed that was grown in the United States, exported, and is now returning to the United States, provided that the person importing the seed into the United States furnishes APHIS with the following documentation:
- (i) Export documents indicating the quantity of seed and number of containers, the date of exportation from

the United States, the distinguishing marks on the containers at the time of exportation, and the name and address of the United States exporter;

- (ii) A document issued by a Customs or other government official of the country to which the seed was exported indicating that the seed was not admitted into the commerce of that country; and
- (iii) A document issued by a Customs or other government official of the country to which the seed was exported indicating that the seed was not commingled with other seed after being exported to that country.
- (b) Except as provided in §§ 361.5(a)(2) and 361.7, samples will be taken from all agricultural seed and vegetable seed imported into the United States for seeding (planting) purposes prior to being released into the commerce of the United States.
- (1) Samples of seed will be taken from each lot of seed in accordance with §361.5 to determine whether any seeds of noxious weeds listed in §361.6(a) are present. If seeds of noxious weeds are present at a level higher than the tolerances set forth in §361.6(b), the lot of seed will be deemed to be adulterated and will be rejected for entry into the United States for seeding (planting) purposes. Once deemed adulterated, the lot of seed must be:
  - (i) Exported from the United States;(ii) Destroyed under the monitoring

of an APHIS inspector;

- (iii) Cleaned under APHIS monitoring at a seed-cleaning facility that is operated in accordance with §361.8(a); or
- (iv) If the lot of seed is adulterated with the seeds of a noxious weed listed in §361.6(a)(2), the seed may be allowed entry into the United States for feeding or manufacturing purposes, provided the importer withdraws the original declaration and files a new declaration stating that the seed is being imported for feeding or manufacturing purposes and that no part of the seed will be used for seeding (planting) purposes.
- (2) Seed deemed adulterated may not be mixed with any other seed unless the Administrator determines that two or more lots of seed deemed adulter-

- ated are of substantially the same quality and origin. In such cases, the Administrator may allow the adulterated lots of seed to be mixed for cleaning as provided in paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section.
- (3) If the labeling of a lot of seed is false or misleading in any respect, the seed will be rejected for entry into the United States. A falsely labeled lot of seed must be:
- (i) Exported from the United States;(ii) Destroyed under the monitoring of an APHIS inspector; or
- (iii) The seed may be allowed entry into the United States if the labeling is corrected under the monitoring of an APHIS inspector to accurately reflect the character of the lot of seed.

#### § 361.5 Sampling of seeds.

- (a) Sample sizes. As provided in §361.4(b), samples of seed will be taken from each lot of seed being imported for seeding (planting) purposes to determine whether any seeds of noxious weeds listed in §361.6(a) are present. The samples shall be drawn in the manner described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section. Unused portions of samples of rare or expensive seeds will be returned by APHIS upon request of the importer.
- (1) A minimum sample of not less than 1 quart shall be drawn from each lot of agricultural seed; a minimum sample of not less than 1 pint shall be drawn from each lot of vegetable seed, except that a sample of 1/4 pint will be sufficient for a vegetable seed importation of 5 pounds or less. The minimum sample shall be divided repeatedly until a working sample of proper weight has been obtained. If a mechanical divider cannot be used or is not available, the sample shall be thoroughly mixed, then placed in a pile; the pile shall be divided repeatedly into halves until a working sample of the proper weight remains. The weights of the working samples for noxious weed examination for each lot of seed are shown in column 1 of table 1 of this section. If the lot of seed is a mixture, the following methods shall be used to determine the weight of the working sample:
- (i) If the lot of seed is a mixture consisting of one predominant kind of seed

or a group of kinds of similar size, the weight of the working sample shall be the weight shown in column 1 of table 1 of this section for the kind or group of kinds that comprises more than 50 percent of the sample.

(ii) If the lot of seed is a mixture consisting of two or more kinds or groups of kinds of different sizes, none of which comprises over 50 percent of the sample, the weight of the working sample shall be the weighted average (to the nearest half gram) of the weight shown in column 1 of table 1 of this section for each of the kinds that comprise the sample, as determined by the following method:

(A) Multiply the percentage of each component of the mixture (rounded off to the nearest whole number) by the

sample sizes shown in column 1 of table 1 of this section;

- (B) Add all these products;
- (C) Total the percentages of all components of the mixtures; and
- (D) Divide the sum in paragraph (a)(1)(ii)(B) of this section by the total in paragraph (a)(1)(ii)(C) of this section.
- (2) It is not ordinarily practical to sample and test small lots of seed offered for entry. The maximum sizes of lots of each kind of seed not ordinarily sampled are shown in column 2 of table 1 of this section.
- (3) The maximum sizes of lots of each kind of seed allowed entry without sampling for sowing for experimental or breeding purposes as provided in §361.4(a)(4) are shown in column 3 of table 1 of this section.

TABLE 1

Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed examination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weight of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purposes without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
EGETABLE SEED:			
Artichoke	500	25	50
Asparagus		25	50
Asparagusbean		25	50
Bean		25	200
Garden		100	500
Lima		25	200
Runner		25	200
Beet		25	50
Broadbean		25	200
Broccoli		5	10
Brussels sprouts		5	10
Burdock, great		10	50
Cabbage		5	10
Cabbage, Chinese		5	10
Cabbage, tronchuda		5	10
Cantaloupe (see Melon)			
Cardoon		25	50
Carrot	50	5	10
Cauliflower	50	5	10
Celeriac	25	5	10
Celery	25	5	10
Chard, Swiss		25	50
Chicory	50	5	10
Chives	50	5	10
Citron	500	25	50
Collards	50	5	10
Corn, sweet	500	25	200
Cornsalad	50	5	10
Cowpea	500	25	200
Cress, garden	50	5	10
Cress, upland	35	5	10
Cress, water		5	10
Cucumber	500	25	50
Dandelion	35	5	10
Dill	50	5	10
Eggplant	50	5	10

TABLE 1—Continued

Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed ex- amination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weight of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purposes without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Endive Gherkin, West India Kale Kale, Chinese Kale, Siberian Kohlrabi Leek Lettuce Melon Mustard, India Mustard, spinach Ohra	50 160 50 50 80 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	5 25 5 5 5 5 5 25 25 5 5	10 50 10 10 10 10 10 10 50 100 10 50
Onion, Welsh Pak-choi Parsley Parsnip Pea Pepper	50 50 50 50 50 150	5 5 5 5 25 5	10 10 10 10 200 10
Pumpkin Radish Rhubarb Rutabaga Sage Salsify Savory, summer Sorrel Soybean Spinach Spinach Spinach, New Zealand Squash Tomato Tomato, husk Turnip Watermelon AGRICULTURAL SEED:	500 300 300 50 150 300 35 35 500 150 500 500 50 35 50	25 25 5 5 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 5 5	50 50 10 10 50 50 10 10 200 50 50 50 10 10 10
Agrotricum Alfalfa Alfilaria Alyceclover Bahiagrass Barrelclover Barley Bean, adzuki Bean, field Bean, mung Bean (see Velvetbean)	500 50 50 50 50 100 500 500 500	100 25 25 25 25 25 25 100 100 100	500 100 100 100 100 100 500 500 500 500
Bearl (see velvelbearl) Beet, field Beet, sugar Beggarweed Bentgrass, colonial Bentgrass, creeping Bentgrass, velvet Bermudagrass Bermudagrass, giant Bluegrass, annual Bluegrass, canada Bluegrass, Canada Bluegrass, Kentucky Bluegrass, Nevada Bluegrass, Nevada Bluegrass, Texas Bluegrass, Texas Bluegrass, wood	5 10 10 10 5 10	100 100 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	500 1,000 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100

TABLE 1—Continued

Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed ex- amination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weigh of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purpose without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Bluejoint	5	25	10
Bluestem, big	70	25	10
Bluestem, little	50	25	10
Bluestem, sand	100	25	10
Bluestem, yellow	10	25	10
Bottlebrush-squirreltailBrome, field	90 50	25 25	10 10
Brome, meadow	130	25	10
Brome, mountain	200	25	10
Brome, smooth	70	25	10
Broomcorn	400	100	50
Buckwheat	500	100	50
Buffalograss:			
(Burs)	200	25	10
(Caryopses)	30	25	10
Buffelgrass:			
(Fascicles)	66	25	10
(Caryopses)	20	25	10
Burclover, California:	F00	100	
(In bur)(Out of bur)	500 70	100 25	50 10
Burclover, spotted:	70	23	''
(In bur)	500	100	50
(Out of bur)	50	25	10
Burnet, little	250	25	10
Buttonclover	70	25	10
Canarygrass	200	25	10
Canarygrass, reed	20	25	10
Carpetgrass	10	25	10
Castorbean	500	100	50
Chess, soft	50	25	10
ChickpeaClover, alsike	500 20	100 25	50
Clover, arrowleaf	40	25	10
Clover, berseem	50	25	10
Clover, cluster	10	25	10
Clover, crimson	100	25	10
Clover, Kenya	20	25	10
Clover, Ladino	20	25	10
Clover, Lappa	20	25	10
Clover, large hop	10	25	10
Clover, Persian	20	25	10
Clover, red	50	25	10
Clover, rose	70	25	10
Clover, small hop (suckling)	20	25	10
Clover, strawberry	50	25	10
Clover, sub (subterranean)	250	25	10
Clover, white	20 500	25 100	1,00
Corn, pop	500	100	1,00
Cotton	500	100	50
Cowpea	500	100	50
Crambe	250	25	10
Crested dogtail	20	25	10
Crotalaria, lance	70	25	10
Crotalaria, showy	250	25	10
Crotalaria, slenderleaf	100	25	10
Crotalaria, striped	100	25	10
Crotalaria, Sunn	500	25	10
Crownvetch	100	25	10
Dallisgrass	40	25	10
Dichondra	50	25	10
Dropseed, sand Emmer	2.5 500	25 100	10 50
L111111G1	500	100	50

TABLE 1—Continued

TABLE I—C	ontinueu		
Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed ex- amination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weight of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purposes without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Fescue, hair	10	25	100
Fescue, hard	20	25	100
Fescue, meadow	50	25	100
Fescue, red	30	25	100
Fescue, sheep	20	25	100
Fescue, tall	50	25	100
Flax	150	25	100
Galletagrass: (Other than caryopses)	100	25	100
(Caryopses)	50	25	100
Grama, blue	20	25	100
Grama, side-oats:			
(Other than caryopses)	60	25	100
(Caryopses)	20	25	100
Guar	500	25	100
Guineagrass	20	25	100
Hardinggrass	30	25	100
Hemp	500	100	500
Indiangrass, yellow	70	25	100
Indigo, hairy	70 20	25 25	100 100
Johnsongrass	100	25	100
Kenaf	500	100	500
Kochia, forage	20	25	100
Kudzu	250	25	100
Lentil	500	25	100
Lespedeza, Korean	50	25	100
Lespedeza, sericea or Chinese	30	25	100
Lespedeza, Siberian	30	25	100
Lespedeza, striate	50	25	100
Lovegrass, sand	10	25	100
Lovegrass, weeping	10 500	25 100	100 500
Lupine, blue	500	100	500
Lupine, yellow	500	100	500
Manilagrass	20	25	100
Meadow foxtail	30	25	100
Medick, black	50	25	100
Milkvetch	90	25	100
Millet, browntop	80	25	100
Millet, foxtail	50	25	100
Millet, Japanese	90	25	100
Millet, pearl	150	25	100
Millet, proso	150	25 25	100
Molassesgrass Mustard, black	5 20	25	100 100
Mustard, India	50	25	100
Mustard, white	150	25	100
Napiergrass	50	25	100
Needlegrass, green	70	25	100
Oat	500	100	500
Oatgrass, tall	60	25	100
Orchardgrass	30	25	100
Panicgrass, blue	20	25	100
Panicgrass, green	20	25	100
Pea, field	500	100	500
Peanut	500	100	500
Poa trivialis (see bluegrass, rough)	70	25	400
Rape, annual	70	25	100
Rape, turnip	70 50	25 25	100 100
Rape, turnip	50 100	25	100
Redtop	2.5	25	100
Rescuegrass	200	25	100
Rhodesgrass		25	100
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TABLE 1—Continued

Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed ex- amination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weight of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purposes without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Rice Ricegrass, Indian Roughpea Rye Rye, mountain Ryegrass, annual Ryegrass, intermediate Ryegrass, perennial Ryegrass, wimmera Sagflower Sagewort, Louisiana Sainfoin Sainfoin Saltbush, fourwing Seasame Sesbania Smilo Sorghum Sorghum-sudangrass hybrid Sorgrass Sourclover Soybean Spelt Sudangrass Sunflower Sweetclover, white Sweetclover, white Sweetclover, yellow Sweet vernalgrass Sweetvetch, northern Switchgrass Timothy Timothy, turf Tobacco Trificiale Vaseygrass Velvetbean Velvetgrass Velvetbean Vetch, hairy Vetch, hairy Vetch, honantha Vetch, normon Vetch, honantha Vetch, normon Vetch, honantha Vetch, narrowleaf Vetch, purple Vetch, woolypod Wheat, common Wheat, durum Wheat, poliah Wheat, durum Wheat, poliah Wheat, poliard Wheatgrass, beardless	500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500	(2)  100 25 100 100 25 100 100 25 25 25 25 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 100 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	without sampling (pounds)  (3)  500 100 500 500 100 100 100 100 100 10
Wheatgrass, fairway crested Wheatgrass, standard crested Wheatgrass, intermediate Wheatgrass, pubescent Wheatgrass, Siberian Wheatgrass, slender	40 50 150 150 50 70	25 25 25 25 25 25 25	100 100 100 100 100 100
Wheatgrass, streambank Wheatgrass, tall Wheatgrass, western Wildrye, basin Wild-rye, Canada	50 150 100 80 110	25 25 25 25 25 25	100 100 100 100 100

TABLE 1—Continued

Name of seed	Working weight for noxious weed ex- amination (grams)	Maximum weight of seed lot not or- dinarily sampled (pounds)	Maximum weight of seed lot per- mitted entry for experimental or breeding purposes without sampling (pounds)
	(1)	(2)	(3)
Wild-rye, Russian Zoysia Japonica (see Japanese lawngrass) Zoysia matrella (see Manilagrass)	60	25	100

- (b) *Method of sampling.* (1) When an importation consists of more than one lot, each lot shall be sampled separately.
- (2) For lots of six or fewer bags, each bag shall be sampled. A total of at least five trierfuls shall be taken from the lot.
- (3) For lots of more than six bags, five bags plus at least 10 percent of the number of bags in the lot shall be sampled. (Round off numbers with decimals to the nearest whole number, raising 0.5 to the next whole number.) Regardless of the lot size, it is not necessary to sample more than 30 bags.
- (4) When the lot of seed to be sampled is comprised of seed in small containers that cannot practically be sampled as described in paragraph (b)(2) or (b)(3) of this section, entire unopened containers may be taken in sufficient number to supply a sample that meets the minimum size requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of this section.
- (c) Drawing samples. Samples will not be drawn unless each container is labeled to show the lot designation and the name of the kind and variety of each agricultural seed, or kind and variety of each vegetable seed, appearing on the invoice and other entry papers, and a declaration has been filed by the importer as required under §361.2(a). In order to secure a representative sample, an APHIS inspector will draw equal portions from evenly distributed parts of the quantity of seed to be sampled; the APHIS inspector, therefore, must be given access to all parts of that quantity.
- (1) For free-flowing seed in bags or in bulk, a probe or trier shall be used. For small free-flowing seed in bags, a probe or trier long enough to sample all por-

- tions of the bag shall be used. When drawing more than one trierful of seed from a bag, a different path through the seed shall be used when drawing each sample.
- (2) For non-free-flowing seed in bags or bulk that may be difficult to sample with a probe or trier, samples shall be obtained by thrusting one's hand into the seed and withdrawing representative portions. The hand shall be inserted in an open position with the fingers held closely together while the hand is being inserted and the portion withdrawn. When more than one handful is taken from a bag, the handfuls shall be taken from well-separated points.
- (3) When more than one sample is drawn from a single lot, the samples may be combined into a composite sample unless it appears that the quantity of seed represented as a lot is not of uniform quality, in which case the separate samples shall be forwarded together, but without being combined into a composite sample.
- (d) In most cases, samples will be drawn and examined by an APHIS inspector at the port of first arrival. The APHIS inspector may release a shipment if no contaminants are found and the labeling is sufficient. If contaminants are found or the labeling of the seed is insufficient, the APHIS inspector may forward the sample to the Seed Examination Facility USDA (SEF), Beltsville, MD, for analysis, testing, or examination. APHIS will notify the owner or consignee of the seed that samples have been drawn and forwarded to the SEF and that the shipment must be held intact pending a decision by APHIS as to whether the seed is within the noxious weed seed

tolerances of §361.6 and is accurately labeled. If the decision pending is with regard to the noxious weed seed content of the seed and the seed has been determined to be accurately labeled, the seed may be released for delivery to the owner or consignee under the following conditions:

- (1) The owner or consignee executes with Customs either a Customs singleentry bond or a Customs term bond, as appropriate, in such amount as is prescribed by applicable Customs regulations:
- (2) The bond must contain a condition for the redelivery of the seed or any part thereof upon demand of the Port Director of Customs at any time;
- (3) Until the seed is approved for entry upon completion of APHIS' examination, the seed must be kept intact and not tampered with in any way, or removed from the containers except under the monitoring of an APHIS inspector; and
- (4) The owner or consignee must keep APHIS informed as to the location of the seed until it is finally entered into the commerce of the United States.

#### § 361.6 Noxious weed seeds.

- (a) Seeds of the plants listed in paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this section shall be considered noxious weed seeds.
- (1) Seeds with no tolerances applicable to their introduction:

Aeginetia spp.

Ageratina adenophora (Sprengel) King & Robinson

Alectra spp.

Alternanthera sessilis (L.) R. Brown ex de Candolle

Asphodelus fistulosus L.

Avena sterilis L. (including Avena ludoviciana Durieu)

Azolla pinnata R. Brown

Carthamus oxyacantha M. Bieberstein Caulerpa taxifolia (Mediterranean clone) Chrysopogon aciculatus (Retzius) Trinius

Commelina benghalensis L. Crupina vulgaris Cassini

Cuscuta spp.
Digitaria abyssinica (=D. scalarum)

Digitaria velutina (Forsskal) Palisot de Beauvois

Drymaria arenarioides Humboldt & Bonpland ex Roemer & Schultes

Eichhornia azurea (Swartz) Kunth

Emex australis Steinheil

Emex spinosa (L.) Campdera

Galega officinalis L.

Heracleum mantegazzianum Sommier & Levier

Homeria spp. Hydrilla verticillata (Linnaeus f.) Royle *Hygrophila polysperma* T. Anderson *Imperata brasiliensis* Trinius Imperata cylindrica (L.) Raeuschel *Ipomoea aquatica* Forsskal Ischaemum rugosum Salisbury Lagarosiphon major (Ridley) Moss Leptochloa chinensis (L.) Nees Limnophila sessiliflora (Vahl) Blume Lycium ferocissimum Miers Melaleuca quinquenervia (Cav.) Blake Melastoma malabathricum L Mikania cordata (Burman f.) B. L. Robinson Mikania micrantha Humboldt, Bonpland, & Kunth Mimosa invisa Martius Mimosa pigra L. var. pigra Monochoria hastata (L.) Solms-Laubach Monochoria vaginalis (Burman f.) C. Presl trichotoma Hackel Nassella (Nees) Arechavaleta Opuntia aurantiaca Lindlev Órobanche spp. Oryza longistaminata A. Chevalier & Roehrich Oryza punctata Kotschy ex Steudel Oryza rufipogon Griffith Ottelia alismoides (L.) Pers. Paspalum scrobiculatum L. Pennisetum clandestinum Hochstetter ex Chiovenda Pennisetum macrourum Trinius Pennisetum polystachion (L.) Schultes

Pennisetum pedicellatum Trinius Prosopis alapataco R. A. Philippi Prosopis argentina Burkart Prosopis articulata S. Watson *Prosopis burkartii* Munoz

*Prosopis caldenia* Burkart Prosopis calingastana Burkart

Prosopis campestris Grisebach Prosopis castellanosii Burkart

Prosopis denudans Bentham Prosopis elata (Burkart) Burkart

farcta Prosopis (Solander ex Russell) Macbride

Prosopis ferox Grisebach Prosopis fiebrigii Harms

Prosopis hassleri Harms

Prosopis humilis Gillies ex Hooker & Arnott

*Prosopis kuntzei* Harms

Prosopis pallida (Humboldt & Bonpland ex Willdenow) Humboldt, Bonpland, & Kunth

Prosopis palmeri S. Watson

Prosopis reptans Bentham var. reptans

Prosopis rojasiana Burkart

Prosopis ruizlealii Burkart

Prosopis ruscifolia Grisebach

Prosopis sericantha Gillies ex Hooker & Arnott

Prosopis strombulifera (Lamarck) Bentham *Prosopis torquata* (Cavanilles ex Lagasca y

Segura) de Candolle Rottboellia cochinchinensis (Lour.) W. Clayon

Rubus fruticosus L. (complex)

Rubus moluccanus L.

Saccharum spontaneum L.

Sagittaria sagittifolia L. Salsola vermiculata L. Salvinia auriculata Aublet Salvinia biloba Raddi Salvinia herzogii de la Sota Salvinia molesta D.S. Mitchell Setaria pallide-fusca (Schumacher) Stapf & Hubbard Solanum tampicense Dunal (wetland nightshade) Solanum torvum Swartz Solanum viarum Dunal Sparganium erectum L. Spermacoce alata (Aublet) de Candolle Striga spp. Tridax procumbens L. Urochloa panicoides Beauvois

(2) Seeds with tolerances applicable to their introduction:

Acroptilon repens (L.) DC. (=Centaurea repens L.) (=Centaurea picris)
Cardaria draba (L.) Desv.
Cardaria pubescens (C. A. Mey.) Jarmol.
Convolvulus arvensis L.
Cirsium arvense (L.) Scop.
Elytrigia repens (L.) Desv. (=Agropyron repens (L.) Beauv.)
Euphorbia esula L.
Sonchus arvensis L.
Sorghum halepense (L.) Pers.

- (b) The tolerance applicable to the prohibition of the noxious weed seeds listed in paragraph (a)(2) of this section shall be two seeds in the minimum amount required to be examined as shown in column 1 of table 1 of §361.5. If fewer than two seeds are found in an initial examination, the shipment from which the sample was drawn may be entered. If two seeds are found in an initial examination, a second sample must be examined. If two or fewer seeds are found in the second examination, the shipment from which the samples were drawn may be entered. If three or more seeds are found in the second examination, the shipment from which the samples were drawn may not be entered. If three or more seeds are found in an initial examination, the shipment from which the sample was drawn may not be entered.
- (c) Any seed of any noxious weed that can be determined by visual inspection (including the use of transmitted light or dissection) to be within one of the following categories shall be considered inert matter and not counted as a weed seed:

- Damaged seed (other than grasses) with over one half of the embryo missing;
- (2) Grass florets and caryopses classed as inert:
- (i) Glumes and empty florets of weedy grasses;
- (ii) Damaged caryopses, including free caryopses, with over one-half the root-shoot axis missing (the scutellum excluded):
- (iii) Immature free caryopses devoid of embryo or endosperm;
- (iv) Free caryopses of quackgrass (*Elytrigia repens*) that are 2 mm or less in length; or
- (v) Immature florets of quackgrass (*Elytrigia repens*) in which the caryopses are less than one-third the length of the palea. The caryopsis is measured from the base of the rachilla.
- (3) Seeds of legumes (*Fabaceae*) with the seed coats entirely removed.
- (4) Immature seed units, devoid of both embryo and endosperm, such as occur in (but not limited to) the following plant families: buckwheat (Polygonaceae), morning glory (Convolvulaceae), nightshade (Solanaceae), and sunflower (Asteraceae).
- (5) Dodder (*Cuscuta* spp.) seeds devoid of embryos and seeds that are ashy gray to creamy white in color are inert matter. Dodder seeds should be sectioned when necessary to determine if an embryo is present, as when the seeds have a normal color but are slightly swollen, dimpled, or have minute holes.

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## § 361.7 Special provisions for Canadian-origin seed and screenings.

(a) In addition to meeting the declaration and labeling requirements of §361.2 and all other applicable provisions of this part, all Canadian-origin agricultural seed and Canadian-origin vegetable seed imported into the United States from Canada for seeding (planting) purposes or cleaning must be accompanied by a certificate of analysis issued by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency or by a private seed laboratory accredited by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Samples of

seed shall be drawn using sampling methods comparable to those detailed in §361.5 of this part. The seed analyst who examines the seed at the laboratory must be accredited to analyze the kind of seed covered by the certificate.

- (1) If the seed is being imported for seeding (planting) purposes, the certificate of analysis must verify that the seed meets the noxious weed seed tolerances of §361.6. Such seed will not be subject to the sampling requirements of §361.3(b).
- (2) If the seed is being imported for cleaning, the certificate of analysis must name the kinds of noxious weed seeds that are to be removed from the lot of seed. Seed being imported for cleaning must be consigned to a facility operated in accordance with §361.8(a).
- (b) Coated or pelleted agricultural seed and coated or pelleted vegetable seed of Canadian origin may be imported into the United States if the seed was analyzed prior to being coated or pelleted and is accompanied by a certificate of analysis issued in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section.
- (c) Screenings otherwise prohibited under this part may be imported from Canada if the screenings are imported for processing or manufacture and are consigned to a facility operating under a compliance agreement as provided by §361.8(b).

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# § 361.8 Cleaning of imported seed and processing of certain Canadian-origin screenings.

- (a) Imported seed that is found to contain noxious weed seeds at a level higher than the tolerances set forth in §361.6(b) may be cleaned under the monitoring of an APHIS inspector. The cleaning will be at the expense of the owner or consignee.
- (1) At the location where the seed is being cleaned, the identity of the seed must be maintained at all times to the satisfaction of the Administrator. The refuse from the cleaning must be placed in containers and securely sealed and identified. Upon completion of the cleaning, a representative sample of the seed will be analyzed by a registered seed technologist, an official

seed laboratory, or by APHIS; if the seed is found to be within the noxious weed tolerances set forth in §361.6(b), the seed may be allowed entry into the United States:

- (2) The refuse from the cleaning must be destroyed under the monitoring of an APHIS inspector at the expense of the owner or consignee of the seed.
- (3) Any person engaged in the business of cleaning imported seed may enter into a compliance agreement under paragraph (c) of this section to facilitate the cleaning of seed imported into the United States under this part.
- (b) Any person engaged in the business of processing screenings who wishes to process screenings imported from Canada under §361.7(c) that are otherwise prohibited under this part must enter into a compliance agreement under paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) A compliance agreement for the cleaning of imported seed or processing of otherwise prohibited screenings from Canada shall be a written agreement 1 between a person engaged in such a business, the State in which the business operates, and APHIS, wherein the person agrees to comply with the provisions of this part and any conditions imposed pursuant thereto. Any compliance agreement may be canceled orally or in writing by the APHIS inspector who is monitoring its enforcement whenever the inspector finds that the person who entered into the compliance agreement has failed to comply with the provisions of this part or any conditions imposed pursuant thereto. If the cancellation is oral, the decision and the reasons for the decision shall be confirmed in writing, as promptly as circumstances permit. Any person whose compliance agreement has been canceled may appeal the decision to the Administrator, in writing, within 10 days after receiving written notification of the cancellation. The appeal shall state all of the facts and reasons upon which the person relies to show that the compliance agreement was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Compliance Agreement forms are available without charge from Permit Unit, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 136, Riverdale, MD 20737–1236, and from local offices of the Plant Protection and Quarantine. (Local offices are listed in telephone directories).

wrongfully canceled. The Administrator shall grant or deny the appeal, in writing, stating the reasons for such decision, as promptly as circumstances permit. If there is a conflict as to any material fact, a hearing shall be held to resolve such conflict. Rules of practice concerning such a hearing will be adopted by the Administrator.

#### § 361.9 Recordkeeping.

(a) Each person importing agricultural seed or vegetable seed under this part must maintain a complete record, including copies of the declaration and labeling required under this part and a sample of seed, for each lot of seed imported. Except for the seed sample, which may be discarded 1 year after the entire lot represented by the sample has been disposed of by the person who imported the seed, the records must be maintained for 3 years following the importation.

(b) Each sample of vegetable seed and each sample of agricultural seed must be at least equal in weight to the sample size prescribed for noxious weed seed examination in table 1 of § 361.5.

(c) An APHIS inspector shall, during normal business hours, be allowed to inspect and copy the records.

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#### § 361.10 Costs and charges.

Unless a user fee is payable under §354.3 of this chapter, the services of an APHIS inspector during regularly assigned hours of duty and at the usual places of duty will be furnished without cost. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's provisions relating to overtime charges for an APHIS inspector's services are set forth in part 354 of this chapter. The U.S. Department of Agriculture will not be responsible for any costs or charges incident to inspections or compliance with this part, other than for the services of the APHIS inspector during regularly assigned hours of duty and at the usual places of duty. All expenses incurred by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (including travel, per diem or subsistence, and salaries of officers or employees of the Department) in connection with the monitoring of cleaning, labeling, other reconditioning, or destruction of seed,

screenings, or refuse under this part shall be reimbursed by the owner or consignee of the seed or screenings.

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#### § 370.1 Scope and purpose.

These regulations are issued pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552), and in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Agriculture regulations in part 1, subpart A of this title. The availability of records of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), and the procedures by which the public may obtain such information, shall be governed by the Department regulations as implemented by the regulations in this part. It is the policy of APHIS to be an open agency and to promptly make available for public inspection any records or information which are required to be released under the Act. Material which is exempt from disclosure will also be promptly made available when the Agency in its discretion determines that release of such material is in the public interest.

#### § 370.2 Published materials.

Rules and regulations of APHIS relating to its regulatory responsibilities are continuously published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, and codified in this chapter III, title 7, and in 9 CFR chapter I. APHIS issues publications explaining animal and plant health programs and the laws and regulations, including quarantines, under which the programs are conducted. These publications are, for the most part available free from the Office of Governmental and Public Affairs, USDA, Washington, DC 20250; or, in some cases from the